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Via Electronic Filing

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization
Notice of Forbearance from Lifeline BIAS Requirements
WC Docket No. 11-42**

Pursuant to the *Lifeline Modernization Order*¹ and the *BIAS Forbearance Public Notice*,² as authorized representatives of SI Wireless, LLC (“SI Wireless”), we hereby submit this Notice of Forbearance from Lifeline broadband internet access service (“BIAS”) requirements throughout SI Wireless’s Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) service areas.

SI Wireless was designated as an ETC for purposes of receiving Mobility Fund Phase I support in portions of Kentucky and Tennessee. However, SI Wireless receives no Mobility Fund Phase I or other high-cost support, and only receives reimbursements from the Lifeline program. SI Wireless is therefore eligible for the forbearance granted by the FCC throughout its ETC service areas.³ SI Wireless is availing itself of the FCC’s forbearance from the Lifeline BIAS requirement throughout its ETC service areas as listed in Attachment A.

Pursuant to advice from Wireline Competition Bureau staff, SI Wireless will supplement this filing with census block information at a future date.

¹ *Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization et al.*, Third Report and Order, Further Report and Order,, and Order on Reconsideration, 31 FCC Rcd 3962 (2016)(“*Lifeline Modernization Order*”).

² *Wireline Competition Bureau Provides Guidance Regarding Filing Procedures for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Seeking to Invoke Forbearance Granted by Lifeline Modernization Order*, Public Notice, WC Docket No. 11-42, DA 16-1316 (WCB. rel. November 22, 2016) (“*BIAS Forbearance Public Notice*”).

³ *Lifeline Modernization Order*, *supra*, 31 FCC Rcd at 4071-72 (Para. 300).

Notwithstanding this forbearance filing and in accordance with the *Lifeline Modernization Order*, SI Wireless reserves the right to offer and receive reimbursement for providing Lifeline-supported BIAS to eligible subscribers.⁴

Please contact the undersigned if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven M. Chernoff". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Steven" and last name "Chernoff" clearly distinguishable.

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⁴ See *id.* at 4072. See also, *BIAS Forbearance Public Notice*, *supra*, at p. 2

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Attachment A
Information Regarding ETC Designations

ETC Name	SAC	State	Designating Authority	Date(s) of Designation
SI Wireless, LLC	269036	IL	Kentucky Public Service Commission	6/25/2012
SI Wireless, LLC	299025	TN	Federal Communications Commission	11/26/2014